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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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David VALE, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/043,173

Group Art Unit: 3731

Confirmation No.: 5019

Examiner: Uyen T. Owen

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For: RETRIEVAL DEVICE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of four months, extending the time for responding to the *Ex parte* Quayle Office Action of December 27, 2005 to June 27, 2006.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1590.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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